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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Jesus Martinez ALMELA

Date: October 3, 2003

Serial No.: 09/866,922

Group Art Unit: 1724

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Examiner: P. Hruskoci

For: PROCESS FOR TREATING LIQUID MANURE

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

  X   If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA PRESENT		RATE		ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	4	MINUS	20	*	0	X	(\$9 SE or \$18)	\$	0.00
INDEP.	1	MINUS	3	**	0	X	(\$42 SE or \$84)	\$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					X		(\$140 SE or \$280)	\$	0.00
* not less than 20		** not less than 3		TOTAL \$				0.00	

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### **CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

### **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

1. ☐ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ☒ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.



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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 114, of the above-identified application.

Check No. 12846 which includes the RCE fee of \$385.00 (small entity) and any extension/suspension fee, is enclosed herewith.

In the event the actual fee is greater than the payment submitted or is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the under-payment to Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

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☐ If checked, please enter and consider the Amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

☒ If checked, an Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed.

☐ If checked, please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief and Reply Brief previously submitted.

☐ If checked, suspension of action is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (3 maximum).

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

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